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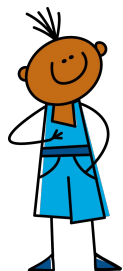
Talking about hobbies [2/ 2]

- **Using the imperfect tense for 3rd person singular and plural**
- **When to use the imperfect to say 'used to' vs 'was doing'**

Madame Clare



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je

[é]



écrire

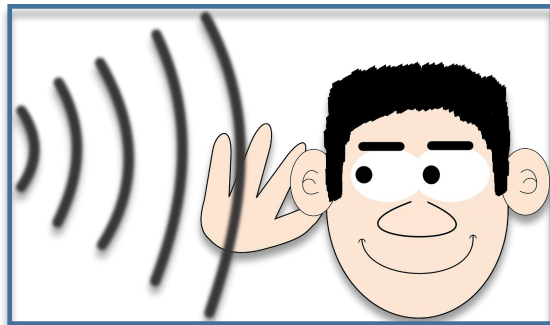


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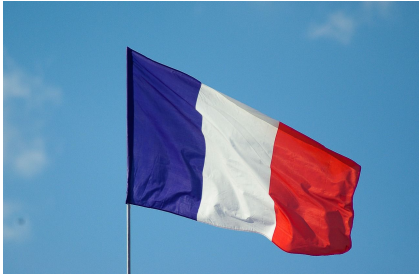
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souvent	often
soudainement	suddenly
quand	when
lorsque	while
auparavant	before / in the past
autrefois	in times gone by
hier	yesterday
la semaine dernière	last week
l'année dernière	last year
il y a ans	 years ago



Forming the imperfect tense



je

ais

jou

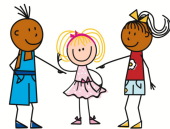


il/elle

mange

ait

finiss



fais

av



ils/elles

aient



Je mangeais

Il faisait

Elle avait

Ils jouaient

Elles finissaient



Forming the imperfect tense



Subject	Imperfect Stem	Ending	Meaning
Je (I)	mange e	ais	 used to eat
	chois iss		 used to choose
Il / Elle / On (He/She/You)	fais s	ait	 used to do
	écriv v		 used to write
Ils / Elles (They)	mett t	aient	 used to put
	pren n		 used to take



Forming the imperfect tense with être



je

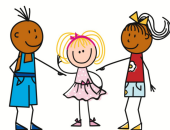
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il/elle

ét

ait



J'étais

Il était

Ils étaient



ils/elles

aient



c'était

The verb **être** is the only **irregular verb** in the imperfect tense.

The stem is **ét**



Talking about hobbies past and present

1) The imperfect tense is a _____tense.	past
2) To find the imperfect stem we have to use the _____ form of the present tense.	nous
3) The ending for il/elle /on for all verbs in the imperfect tense is:	-ait
4) The ending for ils/elles for all verbs in the imperfect tense is:	-aient
5) The imperfect tense is used to tell us what we: 1) _____ 2) _____	1) used to do 2) was /were doing

